Discover
PARKS CANADA

Point Pelee National Park

Canada
PARKS CANADA IN
ONTARIO
AT A GLANCE

WELCOME!
Dive into an exciting world of adventures when you explore Ontario’s historic treasures and dazzling wild nature.

Come for a day trip, or take a look at our itineraries and book a vacation to remember.

Learn more about how we’re working hard to fight climate change and discover how you can become a “citizen scientist” and help protect biodiversity.

Memories await.

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BE INSPIRED!
COME... HIKE, BIK...
**7-DAY ITINERARY**

**FROM OTTAWA TO KINGSTON**

**ROUNDTRIP**
450 km

**LOCATIONS**
Thousand Islands National Park
Fort Wellington, Bellevue House, Rideau Canal and Laurier House National Historic Sites

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**DAY 1**
**THOUSAND ISLANDS**
Mallorytown Landing, 135 km from Ottawa
Escape from everyday life and enter the heart of the wilderness only a few hours from the city.
Lace up your running shoes and discover different paths that wind through the park on undulating hiking trails. Explore hickory forests, walk through spectacular wetlands, reach wooded ridges and admire impressive rock walls covered with ferns.

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**DAY 2**
**Ready for adventure?** Grab your kayak and explore the St. Lawrence River’s blue-green waters. Visit picturesque granite islands and admire kwasn wind-swept pines. Be fascinated at every turn by sunken ships, historic castles and a landscape steeped in First Nations history.
You might be lucky enough to glimpse a soaring bald eagle or a family of turtles basking on a rock.

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**DAY 3**
Ride the Thousand Islands Parkway’s 40 km paved bike path for stunning river views. Relax by the waterside and take a refreshing dip in the water.
Want to go fishing? Who knows, with a bit of luck, you might be frying some fresh fish for dinner!

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**DAY 4**
**FORT WELLINGTON**
Prescott, 45 km from Mallorytown Landing
Enlist in the Royal Artillery for a day! Recruits will spend their time training to be a member of the cannon crew. Feel the surge of adrenaline as you fire a 19th century muzzle-loading cannon.

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**DAY 5**
**BELLEVUE HOUSE**
Kingston, 45 km from Mallorytown Landing
Tour the Visitor Centre and gardens of Sir John A. Macdonald. Wander through the family’s kitchen garden, bite into an heirloom apple and watch costumed gardeners cut the lawn with scythes, just like in the 1840s.

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**DAY 6**
**Ottawa, 75 km from Merrickville**
Discover the nation’s capital in a different light! Paddle through the scenic countryside, historic towns and quaint villages of Eastern Ontario on one of the many lakes, rivers or canals that wind through the city.
Create your team and join us for a Voyageur Canoe Sunset Paddle in Ottawa on the Rideau Canal!

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**DAY 7**
**RIDEAU CANAL AND LAURIER HOUSE**
Take time to explore the Rideau Canal on foot! Do not miss the lockstation in Ottawa, with its historical flight of eight locks.
Enjoy a behind-the-scenes white glove tour at Laurier House. Sip some afternoon tea served on the veranda before heading home.

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**DISCOVER CORNERS OF PARADISE**

**PLAN YOUR VISIT AT PARKSCANADA.GC.CA/VISIT**

**AND DISCOVER OTHER ITINERARIES**

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CONSERVING FOR THE FUTURE

THE CHALLENGE
How can we measure the health of Canada’s protected areas?

Ecosystems respond differently to shocks and disruptions brought about by climate change. Recording data on hundreds of thousands of moth species across Canada’s national parks can reveal a lot about the state of these ecosystems.

A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION
Volunteers and scientists have found more than 725,000 specimens to scan using the Guelph Centre for Biodiversity Genetics’ Barcode of Life.

THE RESULT?
Scientists now have a baseline to track long-term shifts in species.

GET INVOLVED
NOW IT’S YOUR TURN

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT
Point Pelee’s longest-running Citizen Science project is the Christmas Bird Count. For more than 50 years, volunteers have spent a day tallying all the birds they can find.

INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP
Take part in the International Coastal Cleanup at the top of Lake Superior! Contact us to find out how you can protect Lake Superior’s precious coastline.

BE PART OF THE COMEBACK!
Look for peregrines in Pukaskwa’s backcountry between May 15 and July 15! Your falcon observations will be part of the Thunder Bay Field Naturalists’ Project Peregrine monitoring program.

ENJOY A FAMILY GETAWAY

FROM TORONTO TO NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

ROUNDTRIP 285 km

LOCATIONS
Rouge National Urban Park
HMCS HAIDA and Fort George National Historic Sites

DAY 1
ROUGE NATIONAL URBAN PARK
Looking to escape the stress of everyday life? Explore Carolinian ecosystems, see one of the largest marshes in the region, walk along unspoiled beaches and let the sand soothe your feet. Discover a piece of human history stretching back more than 10,000 years.

DAY 2
HMCS HAIDA
Hamilton, 80 km from Toronto
Climb aboard the most famous Canadian war vessel and imagine what life must have been like for the crew serving on the Navy’s most decorated ship. Can you spot any imminent threats on the horizon?

DAY 3
FORT GEORGE
Niagara-on-the-Lake, 75 km from Hamilton
Watch a musket firing demonstration. Better yet, put on a red coat, slip on a military hat, load and fire. Wander through the fort’s eight restored buildings and revisit the lives of British soldiers and their families. Enjoy beautiful views of the mighty Niagara River.

RETURN TO TORONTO, 130 km
STAYING THE NIGHT?
WE’VE GOT YOU COVERED

DON’T MISS OUT
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RESERVE TODAY!

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HISTORIC STAY
Immerse yourself in one of Canada’s national treasures with a very special overnight stay in truly historic surroundings.

Davis Lockmaster’s House and Newboro Canalman’s Cottage are available in Rideau Canal National Historic Site.

FROM $235 PER NIGHT

BACKCOUNTRY CAMPING
The ultimate in overnight adventure: just you, your tent and the great outdoors, far from the beaten path.

Available in Pukaskwa, Bruce Peninsula and Georgian Bay Islands National Parks.

FROM $23.50 PER NIGHT

TENT AND RV CAMPING
Stay close to nature at one of our wonderful campsites — at your preferred comfort level.

Available in Pukaskwa, Bruce Peninsula and Georgian Bay Islands National Parks.

FROM $9.80 PER PERSON PER NIGHT

oTENTik
The perfect mix of tent and A-frame cabin comes together in our oTENTik with its raised floors and cozy beds; great for campers who want a little extra comfort in the wild.

Available in Point Pelee, Pukaskwa, Georgian Bay Islands and Thousand Islands National Parks; Rouge National Urban Park; and in Trent-Severn Waterway and Rideau Canal National Historic Sites.

FROM $100 PER NIGHT

YURT
Live life without corners in a circular yurt! This traditional dwelling of Central Asian nomads is just right for a night of camping with a dash of homelike comfort.

Available in Bruce Peninsula National Park.

FROM $120 PER NIGHT

CABIN
Cottage life at its best with a rustic home-away-from-home in the woods. Sweet dreams for 2-12 happy campers.

Available in Georgian Bay Islands National Park and Trent Severn Waterway National Historic Site.

FROM $100 PER NIGHT

EQUIPPED CAMPING
No gear? No problem! Now you can rent the whole kit and caboodle thanks to our partnership with MEC in an equipped campsite. Ideal for stress-free vacays and those who want to travel light.

Available in Thousand Islands National Park and in Rideau Canal National Historic Site.

FROM $55 PER NIGHT

OVERNIGHT MOORING
Have a unique nautical experience by mooring your boat in one of Canada’s historic canals. Relax and enjoy nearby activities.

Available in Trent-Severn Waterway and Rideau Canal National Historic Sites.

FROM $0.90 PER FOOT PER NIGHT

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1. **OASIS IN THE CITY**

“Walking the trails of Rouge National Urban Park is a very serene experience. A great place to go to detach yourself from the busy world and enter a place of beauty and tranquility that’s right in my own backyard.”

- Emily — Human Resources

2. **BIG CHUTE MARINE RAILWAY**

“The Big Chute Marine Railway is my favourite place to be at Trent-Severn Waterway National Historic Site. Crystal-clear, blue waters, massive Canadian granite outcroppings and towering white pines. Add in an engineering feat unlike any other in North America, and you have a once-in-a-lifetime experience.”

- Chad — Manager of Canal Operations

3. **EDGE OF LAKE HURON**

“Standing on the shore surrounded by the ruins of Fort St. Joseph National Historic Site, I enjoy being able to feel the same sense of isolation that the British soldiers must have felt at the end of the 18th century.”

- Stéphane — Interpretation Coordinator

4. **GO TO THE SHORE TRAIL**

“Mdaabii Miikna… It’s a magical trail in Pukaskwa National Park! From its 360° views of Lake Superior’s pristine coastline to the brilliant green hues of its mossy inland terrain, I’m always enchanted by this wilderness trek.”

- Jennifer — Visitor Experience Product Development Officer

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**DIRECTORY**

ONTARIO

**SERVICES**

- Access for the physically impaired
- Restaurant
- Gift shop
- Picnic area/Shelter
- Playground
- Wi-Fi (in certain areas only)

**ACCOMMODATION**

- Camping
- Recreational vehicle
- StEINbacher
- Tent
- Cabin
- Historic stay
- Overnight Mooring
- Equipped camping

**ACTIVITIES**

- Interpretation
- Cycling
- Mountain biking
- Winter activities
- Dark Sky Preserve
- Snowshoeing activities
- My Photo Missions app
- Pet friendly
- Wheelchair accessible
1. **Pukaskwa**
   - A wilderness woven with Canadian Shield, enriched by Anishinaabe First Nations culture.
   - **DON’T MISS**
     - **Heron Bay** – 320 km from Thunder Bay.
     - **Don’t Miss**
       - The world’s largest freshwater archipelago.
     - **Georgian Bay Islands**
   - **Honey Harbour** – 165 km from Toronto.
   - **Point Pelee**
     - The park boasts limestone coasts, mixed-wood forests, cliffsides, and clear-water lakes.
     - **DON’T MISS**
       - **Honey Harbour** – 165 km from Toronto.
       - **Flax**
         - **DON’T MISS**
           - Enriched by Anishinaabe First Nations culture.
   - **10 km from Sault Ste. Marie**
   - **Mallorytown** – 135 km from Toronto.
   - **Fort St. Joseph**
     - The remains of an isolated outpost from 1796 to the War of 1812.
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         - **Hermes Bay** – 320 km from Thunder Bay.
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   - **Bruce Peninsula**
     - **Herschel Bay** – 165 km from Toronto.
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       - **Fort Malden**
         - The principal military station for the defence of the western frontier.
         - **DON’T MISS**
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           - **Queenston Heights**
             - The principal fortification on the Niagara Peninsula during the War of 1812.
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               - **Woodside**
                 - The childhood home of Canada’s tenth Prime Minister, William Lyon Mackenzie King.
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Laurier House
The former residence of two of Canada’s most important Prime Ministers.

DON’T MISS
- Step into a 1940’s kitchen and contribute to the Second World War effort.
- Hop aboard a chartered boat tour and answer the serene call of Gitchigamiing.

Fort Wellington
A historic fort dating back to the War of 1812.

DON’T MISS
- Enlist in Royal Artillery training and fire a 19th century cannon.
- Grab a copy of the Xplorers booklet and get the inside track on the fort’s mysteries.

Bellevue House
The home of Sir John A. Macdonald from 1848 to 1849.

DON’T MISS
- Join Sir John A. Macdonald’s gardeners and domestic staff as they carry out some tasks.
- Walk in the footsteps of Canadian history on a guided tour of the property.

Trent-Severn Waterway
A 386 km waterway connecting Lake Ontario and Lake Huron.

DON’T MISS
- Take a summer motorcycle tour to the Big Chute Marine Railway and into cottage country.
- Chart a course to Kawartha Lakes’ dream boating destinations: Bobcaygeon and Fenelon Falls.

Rideau Canal
A historic shipping route constructed after the War of 1812.

DON’T MISS
- Snap up a fishing permit and outdoors card, and head to Dow Lake to catch some dinner.
- Combine history with fun in a 27-foot Voyageur canoe tour.

Lake Superior
A freshwater inland sea where human history is intertwined with rich natural heritage.

DON’T MISS
- Let a Great Lake take your breath away as you hike Lake Superior’s rugged north shore.
- Hop aboard a chartered boat tour and answer the serene call of Gitchigamiing.

Bethune Memorial House
The birthplace of Norman Bethune, an international hero.

DON’T MISS
- Test your battlefield skills in a First World War trench.
- Discover the life story, medical innovation and worldwide influence of Dr. Bethune on a guided tour.

Rouge
Canada’s first and only National Urban Park, home to biodiversity, rich cultural heritage, Toronto’s last farmers, and campers.

DON’T MISS
- Paddle a canoe through Toronto’s largest remaining marshes and wetlands.
- Head out on a guided cultural and historical adventure.

Fathom Five
Iconic flowerpot formations and scenic limestone islands with underwater treasures.

DON’T MISS
- Camp in Flowerpot Island’s serene backcountry for a peaceful escape to nature.
- Dive into Lake Huron and discover an underwater world of natural and cultural treasures.

Rugby
A fresh water bay where human history is intertwined with rich natural heritage.

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